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**MONTANA SENATE  
64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**Date:** Thursday, April 16, 2015  
**Place:** Capitol

**Time:** 11:30 A.M.  
**Room:** 335

**BILLS and RESOLUTIONS HEARD:**

SB 261 - Montana sage grouse stewardship act - Sen. Bradley Hamlett

**EXECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN:**

Adopted Free Conference Committee Report As Amended

**Comments:**



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SEN. BRADLEY HAMLETT, Chair



# MONTANA STATE SENATE

## ROLL CALL

### CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Date: April 16, 2015 HB/(SB) No. 261

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT/ EXCUSED
Sen. <u>Hamlett</u>	✓	
Sen. <u>Moore</u>	✓	
Sen. <u>Vincent</u>	✓	
Rep. <u>Lang</u>	✓	
Rep. <u>Shaw</u>	✓	
Rep. <u>Lynch</u>	✓	

Staff: Hope Stockwell

Secretary: Wadine Spencer



MONTANA STATE SENATE  
ROLL CALL VOTE

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

Date: 4-16-2015 HB/SB No. 261

NAME	AYE	NO
Sen. Hamlett	✓	
Sen. Moore	✓	
Sen. Vincent	✓	
Rep. Lang	✓	
Rep. Shaw	✓	
Rep. Lynch	✓	

Vote by chamber:

Senate: Aye 3 No       

House: Aye 3 No





**FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**  
**on Senate Bill 261**  
**Report No. 001, April 16, 2015**

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Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

We, your Free Conference Committee met and considered **Senate Bill 261** (reference copy -- salmon) and recommend this Free Conference Committee report be adopted.

For the Senate:

Sen. Bradley Hamlett  
Sen. Bradley Hamlett Chair

Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore  
Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore

Sen. Chas Vincent  
Sen. Chas Vincent

Amendment Coordinator  
Amendment Coordinator

For the House:

Rep. Mike Lang  
Rep. Mike Lang Vice Chair

Rep. Ray Shaw  
Rep. Ray Shaw

Rep. Ryan Lynch  
Rep. Ryan Lynch

And, recommend that **Senate Bill 261** (reference copy -- salmon) be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 9.

**Following:** "REPORTING;"

**Insert:** "PROVIDING A CONTINGENT FUND TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATION;"

2. Page 10.

**Following:** line 7

**Insert:** "COORDINATION SECTION. **Section 18. Coordination**

**instruction.** If both House Bill No. 2 and [this act] are passed and approved, then:

(1) [sections 14 and 15 of this act] are void;

**ADOPT**  
**REJECT**

**Amendment # SB 261001**

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(2) the general fund appropriation to the department of natural resources and conservation for the sage grouse conservation fund contained in House Bill No. 2 is void;

(3) for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, \$10 million is transferred from the general fund to the sage grouse stewardship account established in [section 7 of this act]; and

(4) for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, \$10 million is appropriated from the sage grouse stewardship account established in [section 7 of this act] to the department of natural resources and conservation for the purposes of [this act]. If the United States fish and wildlife service lists the greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*) as endangered under the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1531, et seq., any unencumbered portion of the appropriation made pursuant to this subsection (4) must revert to the general fund."

**Renumber:** subsequent section

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**MONTANA STATE SENATE**  
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**SENATE FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, April 16, 2015**

## SB 261 - Montana sage grouse stewardship act

Sponsor: **Sen. Bradley Hamlett**

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**Please leave prepared testimony with Secretary. Witness Statement forms are available if you care to submit written testimony.**